

# William Peracchio

FINTECH · AI PRODUCT · PUBLIC POLICY

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## EXPERIENCE

**Circle** — New York, NY May 2026 – Present  
*Public Policy Intern*

- Helping design policy positions at the issuer of the USDC stablecoin, including on stablecoin regulation, AI in financial services, and payments for the agentic economy

**MIT Media Lab — Digital Currency Initiative** — Cambridge, MA Dec 2025 – May 2026  
*Researcher and Product Manager*

- Researched how tokenized money, stablecoins, and digital financial infrastructure affect markets, institutions, and public policy within the Future of Financial Infrastructure workstream, in association with external institutional partners
- Translated technical, market, and regulatory developments into research outputs, product concepts, and stakeholder-facing analysis

**Harvard Kennedy School — Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business & Government** — Cambridge, MA Oct 2025 – June 2026  
*Research Assistant*

- Researched digital asset regulation, stablecoin policy, and the institutional design of financial market infrastructure with Timothy Massad, former Chairman of the CFTC, and Senior Fellow Ijeoma Okoli

**Knova Finance Corp.** — New York, NY July 2022 – Aug 2025  
*Technical Product Manager (Nov 2023 – Aug 2025) · Associate Technical Product Manager (July 2022 – Nov 2023)*

- Launched a 0-to-1 product with a digital asset exchange to simplify backend integrations and transaction workflows
- Designed and roadmapped major product features from customer research, market analysis, and engineering constraints
- Created the firm's developer portal and led development of technical materials for customers and investors
- Led project management for the winning entry in the 2023 G20 TechSprint; authored the firm's white paper and RFP responses for major financial institutions, including central banks
- Managed a team of two for work related to new product and engineering UX flows for the onboarding of clients

**Microsoft** — Redmond, WA *Software Engineering Intern, Azure* June 2020 – Aug 2020

## EDUCATION

**Stanford Graduate School of Business** Expected 2028

**Harvard Kennedy School** Expected 2028

*Dual Degree — Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Stanford · Master in Public Administration (MPA) from Harvard*

- Focus on AI and technology policy, financial regulation, and the commercialization of emerging technologies

**Tsinghua University, Schwarzman College** — Beijing, China 2021 – 2022

*Schwarzman Scholar — Master of Management Science in Global Affairs*

- One of 154 Scholars selected from 3,600+ applicants worldwide, on full scholarship; thesis on the e-CNY, China's central bank digital currency

**Lehigh University** — Bethlehem, PA 2017 – 2021

*Master of Science, Computer Science · Bachelor of Science, Computer Science & Business*

- Summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi, Beta Gamma Sigma, Upsilon Pi Epsilon Honor Societies
- Founder's and Presidential Scholarships (tuition-free BS and MS); minors in Data Science, Economics, and Entrepreneurship; Certificate in Global Citizenship
- Designed and taught CSE 298, Modern Software Development Methodologies, to 60+ undergraduates; graduate TA for Analysis of Algorithms

## AFFILIATIONS & WRITING

**The Bretton Woods Committee** — Washington, DC Aug 2024 – Present  
*Member, Future of Finance Working Group*

- Contribute to the nonpartisan think tank's publications on how tokenization and stablecoins will reshape the financial system
- Co-authored *A Global Framework for Tokenized Assets* and contributed to working group papers including *Unlocking Stablecoins: Exploring Opportunities and Risks*

**Interweave.gov** Oct 2023 – May 2026  
*Contributing Writer*

- Researched and wrote on AI governance and digital public infrastructure across Europe and Asia, including Italy's AI strategy and public-sector AI procurement; managed bi-weekly news roundups with three writers for an audience of 700+ readers

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- *A Global Framework for Tokenized Assets* — The Bretton Woods Committee (co-author)
- *Stablecoins in Africa: Translating Global Principles into Local Regulatory Practice* — MIT DCI, with the Alliance for Innovative Regulation and CGAP (co-author)
- *Italy's Multiplicity Principle: Moving Away from Model-Centric AI Governance* — Interweave.gov (co-author)

## HONORS & SKILLS

- **Honors:** Winner, 2023 G20 TechSprint, multilateral CBDC prize (Reserve Bank of India & BIS Innovation Hub) · 1st Place, Wharton Undergraduate FinTech Hackathon
- **Skills:** Product management (0-to-1 launches, roadmapping, developer experience) · Generative AI, stablecoins, tokenization, CBDCs · Python, JavaScript, Java, SQL
- **Languages & Interests:** English (native), Spanish (conversational), Mandarin (basic) · geopolitics, geography, linguistics, trivia